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Stockholm, January 27, O. S.

THE Diet was opened the 22d Instant with the usual Solemnities. After the King of Sweden, with the four States, were returned from the Great Church, and the States were ranged in the Great Hall of the Palace, the Secretary of State Cederstrom read a summary Relation of what had passed since the last Diet: The State of the Army, Fleet, Trade and Manufactures; and the Regulations made for the Maintenance and Support of each, were briefly taken Notice of; and Count Horn, the Archbishop of Upsal, the Speaker of the Burghers, and the Speaker of the Peasants, complimented his Swedish Majesty on the Part of their several Bodies. The Compliment made by the Speaker of the Peasants was extremely commended. He began by congratulating the King on the Wisdom of his Measures taken in and since the last Diet, the happy Effects of which the Body of Peasants felt, by being now able to sow and reap in Peace and Safety; and concluded by telling his Majesty, that as the Peasants, by Experience of the Lenity of his Government, had found him not only their King, but Father; so he hoped that his Majesty, reflecting on the Duty and Affection of his loyal Peasants, would regard them not only as his Subjects, but Children. The Secret Committee was chosen last Night, and reported to the House this Morning. The Town of Riga has a Deputy here, to solicit the Payment of a Loan amounting to 100,000 Rixdollars advanced to this Crown whilst in its Possession; which Sum 'tis thought will be more than ballanced by Arrears due on their Taxes during the same Time. The Dutchy of Pomerania having in Consideration of the late War been eased in their Taxes for a certain Term, which is now expired, they solicit the Prolongation of it, but it is thought they will not succeed. M. Skutenhielm, his Swedish Majesty's Secretary at the Court of Great Britain, arrived here the 22d, and was very graciously received by both their Swedish Majesties the next Day.

Hambourg, Feb. 16, N. S. Our Deputies are at Copenhagen, but his Danish Majesty having been absent for some Days, they have not yet been admitted to an Audience; but they seem well pleased with the Civilities that have been shewn them from the Ministers, and flatter themselves that the Negociation will be successful.

Hague, Feb. 23, N. S. The States of the Province of Overyssel have been assembled, and have agreed to the Augmentation of Forces proposed by the States of Holland; Those of Friesland and Groningen are to assemble upon the same Subject; as also those of Gueldres the 6th of next Month. The States of Holland adjourned Yesterday their Assembly to the Middle of next Month, when all the Civil and Military Employments in their Repartition are to be disposed of. They have resolved to continue the same Taxes as the last Year. The Admiralties are ordered by the States to be then present, to receive Instructions concerning the Maritime Affairs.

Whitehall, February 11.

His Majesty has been pleased to grant unto Dr. Butts, the Place and Dignity of Dean of the Cathedral Church of Norwich, void by the Death of Dr. Thomas Cole, late Dean thereof.

The Anniversary Meeting of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, will be held at the Vestry Room belonging to the Church of St. Mary le Bow in Cheapside, on Friday the 19th of this Instant February, at Nine of the Clock in the Forenoon; upon which Occasion there will be a Sermon preached by the Reverend Dr. Denne, Archdeacon of Rochester.

Prayers will begin at Eleven a-Clock.

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